

Review of: "Pain Assessment and Management in Children at Lusaka Children's Hospital: Nurses' Experiences - A Qualitative Study"

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Thanks to the authors for their effort. I would like to contribute with some considerations: In the introduction, a better contextualization of the state of the art on the topic could be provided, specifically by referencing other similar or significant studies. The objective should be to understand what they say about the theme "Pain Assessment and Management in Children." The method employed involves qualitative methods, and primary sources were utilized. In the section designated for Procedures, I agree with the methodological detail in this field. In the Participants section, it might make sense to include the number of the target population. Please ensure that when you mention "all nurses," it refers to 100% of the nurses. In the Procedures section, more comprehensive explanations are needed. While you explain the method used, it's not clear why it was chosen or how it was prepared. Was there room for a pre-test in the case of the questionnaires? You mention case file reviews in the abstract, but it's not mentioned here. The Data Collection section will need further development, specifying the purpose of the focus group and the questionnaires. Regarding Data Analysis, it's important to provide a detailed account of how the data were analyzed, step by step. The results appear to include only data from the focus groups, with the analysis of the questionnaires and case file reviews missing. Additionally, you include citations from other authors, which, in my opinion, should be included in the discussion. The discussion could benefit from more elaborate detail, as it will merge the obtained results with a comparison to other studies that can confirm or reinforce the findings. The conclusion should reflect the main points derived from the discussion, the study's limitations, and future research that can stem from this study. Overall, more attention to detail is needed. Keep up the good work!